

ALCOHOL AND COCAINE

by Harriett L. Griffin - Substance Abuse Counselor

If I Was Alcohol, I Would Be Rich

As clients funnelled in and out of my office, week after week, month after month, year after year, and in and out of drug related treatment programs, I began to think: "If I was alcohol, I would be rich." Very often readers read about the results of the adverse of alcohol on one's life situation and not how it affects the body upon immediate consumption.

Come with me on this mysterious journey as I (alcohol) become employed by you, the employer (the body). I am highly qualified for the job. I have received outstanding evaluations of previous employers and others who have known my work history. All of my employees were well satisfied. My qualifications state that I am non-discriminative, honest, willing and ready to work, years of experience, promising results, never tiring, dependable, and I qualify as a long term progressive runner. My employers were always satisfied, for I guarantee my work, I love my job.

You've just introduced me to your body by way of consumption, entering your mouth with a burning, irritating sensation. I don't taste good, although my employers lie, saying that I do. Oh, how I irritate the esophagus as I travel to the stomach passing through the small intestine, where I am absorbed in the blood stream and being sent to every part of the body, especially the brain. Within 30 seconds of ingestion, the brain allows me to put it to sleep, sedating and killing nerve cells. In the mean time I continue my work on the stomach eating away at the stomach lining. Although I enter the mouth as does food, I can not be digested like food. The liver tries very hard to rid the body of me, but it can only detoxify 1 oz. of liquor, 6 oz. of wine, or 1 can of 12 oz. beer per hour.

For the average employer, this amount will create a feeling of relaxation. Two and one half (2 1/2) drinks of me can affect my employer's judgement and lower their inhibitions. My employers try to eliminate me at times but I am such an expert worker that it takes a long process. About 90% of me is metabolized through the liver. The remaining 10% is eliminated through the lungs and urine. Most of my employers are anxious or greedy. They like having me work overtime. The body (my employer) reacts in the form of withdrawals (nausea, disorientation, headaches, irritability, and tremors). I poison my employer, but I'm only doing my job.

I cause medical complications with the gastrointestinal system, liver disorders, heart disease, reproduction and pregnancy complications and pancreatitis. I act as an irritant and increase the amount of hydrochloric acid (a digestive juice) that is secreted from the stomach lining. I, in combination with other stomach irritants, such as aspirin, can cause gastritis, ulcers, severe bleeding. The liver maintains a blood sugar level in the body. The sugar is the only source of energy that the brain cell can use. When I am consumed by my employer, the liver's attention is diverted from maintaining the sugar level to ridding the body of me. Liver disorders associated with heavy use of me are: 1) Fatty liver; 2) Alcoholic hepatitis; and 3) Cirrhosis of the liver. Moderate consumptions of me cause a significant rise in blood pressure. Heavy use of me is an important factor in causing high blood pressure and enlarged heart, which increases the risk of a heart attack or stroke. As few as two drinks of me a day can lead to impaired function of the heart! In reproduction and pregnancy, heavy use of me causes missed menstrual periods in women, diminished libido (sexual desire) and possible sterility in men.

The pancreas makes the amylase and lipase, which are enzymes to help digest food and help the body to heal when it is cut. I change the secretions of the pancreas, robbing it of insulin. There I cause the body to have pseudocystic pancreatitis, which causes the body to suffer from secondary diabetes, due to lack of insulin. These are only a few of the organs of my employer I effect and a few of the medical complications I cause. My job is to destroy every organ in my employer.

Now that you have been informed of my qualifications and made aware of some of my job duties, you may want to increase my pay. My quantity of work has proven to cause a high percentage of deaths, liver diseases, dysfunctional families, and traffic accidents/fatalities.

Who am I to strut with a chip on my shoulder, who am I? I am the over qualified employee who, when hired by my employer, destroys the body functions. My job is to irritate and sedate. I am alcohol, I am rich. Who am I? I wish that I was alcohol, I would be rich. However, I am just an employer (the body).

Crack: Reclaiming Your Body

When crack is smoked the effect is an intense and rapid euphoria commonly known as a "flash high." The cocaine molecules reach the brain in less than ten seconds. The result-

ing three to five minute high is followed by an unpleasant crash where the user feels irritable, agitated and has an intense craving for more cocaine. Craving is caused by the high concentration of the drug in the bloodstream. What the user does not understand, is that the initial high will never be reached again. However, they continue to try by using more and more crack cocaine.

Cocaine and crack cocaine constrict the heart's blood vessels, making it work harder and faster to move blood through the body. In some users, this stress may trigger chest pains or a heart attack. Cocaine and crack cocaine can cause brain seizures. This is a disturbance in the brain's electrical signals which regulates the heart and the muscles controlling breathing. Other effects of cocaine and crack use include: suicidal tendencies, dramatic mood swings, chronic nose bleeds, runny nose, a sore throat, loss of friends, and former values, miscarriages, birth defects, weight loss resulting from loss of appetite, chronic headaches, addiction, crime and arrest, destruction of families, and ultimately death.

It causes, dysfunctional families, low self-esteem, uselessness, embarrassment, loss of homes, job, respect, and most of all freedom. Freedom of being yourself. Let us reclaim our bodies by ridding them of unsafe thoughts and thinking positively in an effort to help save ourselves. Reclaim our communities and neighborhoods by not allowing the Flunkies and Super Flunkies to bring drugs in our neighborhoods. Let us free our people and live drug free.

Reclaim what is yours, teach your children respect for themselves and others will respect them.

"COCAINE"

My name is "COCAINE"

Beware, my friend, my name is Cocaine, Coke for short.

I enter this country without a passport.

Ever since then I've been hunted and scalped by junkies and pushers.

Plain clothes picks, mostly by users who need a quick fix.

I'm more valuable than diamonds, more treasured than gold.

Use me just once and you too will be sold.

I'll make a school boy forget his books.

I'll make a beauty queen neglect her looks.

I'll make a school teacher forget how to teach.

I'll make a preacher forget how to preach.

All kind of people have fallen under my wing.

Just look around and see the results of my string.

I've got daughters turning on their mothers.

I've got sisters robbing their brothers.

I've got burglars robbing the Lord's house.

I've got husbands pining their spouse.

I'm, the King of Crime and the Prince of Destruction.

I'll cause the organs of your body to malfunction.

I'll turn the honest man into a crook.

I'll make you rob, steal, and kill when you're under my power.

You will have no will.

Remember, my friend, my name is "Big C."

Some call me the white lady.

I've destroyed politicians, sports heroes.

I've decreased bank accounts from millions to zeros.

I'm a bad habit too tough for the man.

I've caused the law to hire more hands.

Yeah, I'm raising hell all over the earth.

Don't believe me, check out brain Hurst.

I've got them standing on street corners yelling "rock."

I have made shooting and stabbing common on the block.

Well now you know what I do.

Remember, my friend, that it's all up to you.

If you decided to jump in my saddle,

You'd better ride me well.

For on the White Horse I'll ride you straight to hell.

Please share these words with a true friend.

For the ride with "COCAINE" is a quick trip to the end.

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MAYOR HAYWOOD SUEDED INDIVIDUALLY FOR \$2,000,000.00

Ex-Police Chief Hanchey sues city and mayor for \$9,000,000.00

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

An eight count, nine million dollar, law suit was filed in federal court last Wednesday by lawyers representing former Elba police chief Freddie Hanchey.

The City of Elba is the defendant in seven of the counts, with damages of one million dollars claimed in each and the final count is against Elba Mayor Ricky Haywood personally in the amount of two million dollars.

The 14 page suit was filed in Montgomery at 3:16 Wednesday afternoon, May 12th in the District of the United States, Middle District of Alabama, Southern Division.

Section One of the complaint reads in part, "This is an action to recover damages and to secure equitable and other relief under an act of Congress providing for the protection of civil rights..."

The seven counts against the city

name the mayor, all five council members and Jack Parker, the current Chief of Police, each in their official capacity and not individually. These counts call for damages from the City and not from the individuals.

"It appears ... that the council and the mayor have adopted the attitude that they will let a federal judge decide the responsibilities and liabilities of the parties involved," said Attorney Mike Jared.

A section of the complaint explains that Parker was included "solely for the purpose of allowing

Plaintiff (Hanchey) to be reinstated to the position of Chief of Police."

The final count calls for damages of two million dollars against Mayor Haywood individually. Representing Hanchey are Mike Jared, Sr. and Debbie Jared, both of the Elba firm of Jared & Jared, along with Enterprise attorney Paul Young, Jr.

Hanchey's attorneys predict the case will actually go to court, following all legal proceedings, in October or November of 1993. Later in the day, Vaughan agreed he expected it would be in court before the end of the year.

Judge Harold Abtison is scheduled to preside over the case. Attorney Mike Jared said Tuesday, "We had hoped, based on what the council had done, that this matter could be worked out. It appears, due to the lack of response to our last request for clarification of certain questions and no further action by the council, that the council and the

mayor have adopted the attitude that they will let a federal judge decide the responsibilities and liabilities of the parties involved. We have always been willing to sit down and talk. However, we never got that opportunity, therefore we were forced to resort to the federal courts to protect the rights of our client."

Hanchey has served as a police officer in Elba for about 12 years. He was first named chief in October 1988. He was still serving in that capacity when the new administration took office in October 1992. The law suit alleges he was told, on more than one occasion by Haywood and several members of the new city council that he would be the chief of police under the new administration.

During a regular city council meeting on October 5, 1992 Haywood recommended the council hire Hanchey as temporary Chief of Police. However the minutes indicate the council, on a motion by McCollough, voted to evaluate Hanchey for a period of 90 days. The motion didn't include the word "temporary."

The minutes also indicate this decision was a unanimous decision. A termination hearing, required by Alabama law, was requested by Hanchey and his attorneys on several occasions following his termination on January 11, 1993. On March 19 this hearing began, however it adjourned, before a full day of questioning, before the hearing was completed.

On previously reported in this newspaper, a letter signed by Haywood, and dated April 27th, stated there were no jobs available for Mr. Hanchey.

City Attorney Mark Vaughan explained that there is no personal exposure of the five council members, they are only sued in their official capacity.

Vaughan said he had been in contact with the city's insurance carrier. "They have been informed of the suit and are concerned," Vaughan added.

Vaughan explained that as City Attorney he assumed he would be involved in any litigation. He added the insurance company has a legal section and they would also be

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Elba officials discuss re-routing of U.S. Hwy. 84 with state highway department

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The 4-laning of U. S. Highway 84 through West Coffee County was the topic of a meeting at Elba City Hall last Thursday.

Representative Jimmy Holley introduced representatives of the Alabama Highway Department who in turn explained the status of the project from Enterprise west to Andalusia. The group later visited a three mile stretch of the former railroad right-of-way between Elba and New Brockton. The property is presently owned by the State of Alabama.

"If it is the proper thing to do, we are going to do everything we can to get it done," said Joe Holley.

and parallels the present Highway 84. Highway officials said this would be ideal as a section to begin the long term project of making the highway 4-lane, if it is inside the area recommended by the route location engineers.

They also visited locations along the Elba levee and rode the 203 Bypass to better understand the need for bridges which would be required on the project in the Elba area.

Addressing the city officials and news media were Joe P. Holley, Planning & Environmental Engineer, Montgomery; William F. Adams, Location Planner, Design Bureau, Montgomery; James Kelley, Divi-



REVIEWING OLD RAILROAD BED between Elba and New Brockton last Thursday are from left: James Kelley, State Highway Department Division 7 Engineer; Elba Council member John W. Sharpless; Lomax Fulford, Highway Department Enterprise Division Supervisor; Henry Clark, Elba Operations Officer; Joe Holley, Highway Department Planning & Environmental Engineer; Elba City Council member Earl McCollough; William Adams, Highway Department Location Planner; Doug Holderfield, WELB; and State Representative Jimmy Holley, representing Coffee County.

Mayor Ricky Haywood hosted a luncheon for the group. He also welcomed visitors to Elba. He also commented

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Court orders new trial for Owen Ziglar

by Marvin McIlwain
Editor

The Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals has ordered that Spencer Owen Ziglar be granted a new trial.

The state's attorneys contended that Ziglar was divorced from Mrs. Ziglar while defense attorneys voiced objections that the two were still legally married.

Mrs. Ziglar told the court that she did not wish to testify, but was being compelled to do so by the state.

The trial judge,

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

We left a meeting with highway officials last Friday full of excitement! Representative Jimmy Holley set up a meeting of the group with Elba city officials and we were privileged to attend and hear the good words. The main topic of discussion was the proposed 4-laning of U.S. 84. We have heard horror stories in years past but the word from these men was that when the work is done it will be with the needs of Elba, New Brockton, Opp and Andalusia in mind. No promises were made, but we fully expect to see some work beginning on this project within the next two years.

While the highway folks are on our mind, we must mention the wildflowers. We were real proud of the assorted flowers they planted between Elba and New Brockton last year. This year they might have even done better with that sea of beautiful yellow blooms along the roadside. We stopped and admired them one day last week. Now we are assured we can't pick a single flower! It is against the law and we want them there for all motorists to enjoy.

The long expected federal lawsuit filed by former police chief Freddie Hanchey is now a fact. The outcome of the matter is in the hands of a federal judge and a jury under his direction. Most Elba folks probably have an opinion, having heard the arguments over and over for the past six months. But we will not be the ones sitting on that jury in Montgomery. That is, if a settlement is not reached by the parties involved. And this, we think, is still possible. In fact, if asked, we will vote for somebody to propose a settlement which can be accepted by both sides.

The Alabama Legislature frankly surprised this country newspaper fellow. We assumed they would fight right down to the last minute over the budgets. They got them both out of the way early in the day Monday and went on with other business. The session was adjourned. The lawmaker noted, state government has had enough bad press this year without getting into a hassle over passing budgets. We must agree.

The Coffee County bill to allow a vote on a tax to build a new courthouse in Enterprise passed the legislature. We assume Governor Folsom will sign it into law within the allotted time. Then the voters will get a chance to speak. We have some predictions there also, but we will hold them until later.

President Clinton is trying to convince the American public that he is doing a good job and we need to support his tax increases (we mean tax and deficit cutting plan). It will be interesting to see how many times he is called to call the largest tax increase in the nation's history a "tax cut and deficit cutting plan" before the public begins to believe him. But then we are going to need some relief somewhere, even if it is just in our minds, to pay for the increases Hilary is going to put on us with her health projects.

School is almost out for another year. Children (and teachers) are already working hard on plans for a good and busy summer. Ours will be busy as usual but we hope they all are successful with carrying out their grand vacation plans.



FROM THE HOUSE

Congressman

Terry Everett

Congress' Line Item Veto Cover-Up

The American people need to know what is really going on in their Congress. Right now, the majority of House members feel smug in having blocked real spending reform while attempting to make the American people believe otherwise. The issue is the line-item veto and every taxpayer is concerned because you should be being duped.

When I took office on January 5, I declared that there were three major issues that I would like to address: "the deficit, the deficit, and the deficit." I believe the Federal budget deficit is the principal problem facing this nation and the main hindrance to a prosperous future for our children. What is the magnitude of the Federal deficit dilemma? For example, it would take more than 6,000 boxcars measuring 50-feet each and stretching for 66 miles to hold all the dollar bills to pay off the current Federal budget deficit.

Last fall, many Americans told Congress to kick the habit of deficit spending by enacting the long-needed line-item veto. This veto allows the President to directly remove any wasteful spending item from the Federal budget. In recent years, newspapers have been full of examples of how congressmen have added billions to the Federal budget for outlandish special interest projects.

Some noables include a \$19 million study of cow flatulence and \$3 million for a bicycle demonstration project. Unfortunately, once these pork projects are inserted into a spending bill, they are practically impossible to remove. The only way to stop this wasteful waste of your tax dollars is by passing a real Presidential line-item veto law.

Just a few weeks ago, the members of the U.S. House of Representatives had a chance to do something right for a change. They were offered a chance to pass a line-item veto but they refused. Instead, they came up with the "Enhanced Recession" bill. This is a weakened, watered down substitute crafted to fool the American people.

In fact, it is no different from present law which allows a President to only "suggest" that pork be removed from a spending bill. Congress then can vote to approve his cuts, or just do nothing at all. Which do you think Congress would do? This is a sham and the magnitude of the American people's faith by lawmakers.

In an attempt to regain control over Congressional "pork spending", a number of conservative House members stood up last week, myself included, and demanded a new vote on the line-item veto. Right now, we are trying to muster enough support to bring the line-item veto up for a vote before the full House soon. Meanwhile, the phony Enhanced Recession bill is now in the U.S. Senate where lawmakers there will have to decide its fate.

Americans should be aware of the behind-the-scenes games being perpetrated by so many in the House of Representatives in the name of reform. The truth is there still isn't any way to control Congress' pork spending appetite and thus reduce the deficit. You can be sure that I will continue to press for the enactment of a real line-item veto, and I shall keep you informed here.

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GUEST EDITORIAL

Overspending of available funds a continuing problem

by Ronnie Jimright
Council Member
City of Elba

Most of us know that no one person owns the city nor does one designated person control the city. The City of Elba is enjoyed by over 4,000 citizens. Webster's defines a "Citizen" as a native or naturalized person who owes allegiance to a government. As citizens we each have responsibilities to our city. Among these are the paying of our taxes and utilities which contribute to the income of our city. From this revenue the salaries and all city bills must be paid.

So being a newly elected city official, I have learned that the operation of our city should require the entire council working together.

However, this administration is currently facing a spending problem. The six month's budget comparison shows \$166,000.00 over-budgeted expenditures as of



74 people.

A comparison of salaries is shown in this chart:

	Sept. 30, 1992	May 1, 1993
Mayor.....	\$12,000.....	\$12,000
City Clerk.....	\$25,000.....	\$21,216
Police Chief.....	\$24,440.....	
Assistant Chief.....	\$0.....	\$23,400
Operations Officer.....	\$0.....(w/ \$600 W & E Supplement)	\$31,640

One untitled employee was making about \$16,000 on Sept 30, 1992 and is now being paid \$27,060 a year!

More taxes or higher utility rates... those are the only two options which will be available to the taxpayers of the City of Elba if we continue much longer with business as usual.

only one thing - too many people are on the payroll.

As of September 30, 1992 the city employed 67 people. But, today the city employs

A reader can quickly see this is an increase of over \$62,000 a year in salaries, alone plus the added cost of retirement, insurance, social security taxes, etc.

As citizens of Elba we can continue to support all existing services and unforeseen expenses?

The only way to maintain excessive spending is to increase revenue. Several ways to do this include increasing taxes, licenses or utility rates.

It is the responsibility of the entire city council to control the spending of public funds, therefore, the council must become more involved in the decisions that will affect the future of our city.

I urge each of you to call your council person if you're concerned about the financial condition of the City of Elba. I firmly believe with the concern and help of the good people of Elba this administration can overcome the obstacles we're facing. We can then work together for a brighter future for Elba.

ELBA POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department, beginning Tuesday, May 11, 1993, investigated the following incidents: one harassment, two criminal mischiefs, two thefts, two assaults, one harassing communication, one drive off, one burglary, one damage to peanuts, and one DUI.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: two for DUI, one for driver's license required, and three for expired driver's license.

The following arrests were made: two for failure to appear in court, one for highway intoxication, and one for harassment.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:

TUESDAY, MAY 11 - Burglary alarm at The Jewel Box (6:35 p.m.); Right reported at a residence near McCall's old store on U.S. Hwy 84E (6:44 p.m.); Routine activity.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12 - Alarm at residence in Brookdale Subdivision (6:46 p.m.); Wreck near Ranch House Restaurant on U.S. Hwy. 84W (6:00 p.m.); Routine activity.

THURSDAY, MAY 13 - Disturbance at Cox Fina Station (2:19 p.m.); Disturbance at Dairy Queen (4:04 p.m.); Alarm at Elba General Hospital (6:09 p.m.).

FRIDAY, MAY 14 - Burglary at residence on Martin Luther King Dr. (3:01 p.m.); Routine activity.

SATURDAY, MAY 15 - Rescue in Mountain Village (10:53 a.m.); Routine activity.

SUNDAY, MAY 16 - Disturbance at residence on U.S. Hwy. 84E (4:19 p.m.); Routine activity.

MONDAY, MAY 17 - Disturbance in Mountain Village (12:07 a.m.); Rescue near to residence on W. Newton St. (3:50 a.m.); Fire trucks called to stand by at gas leak (9:16 a.m.).

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The Editor

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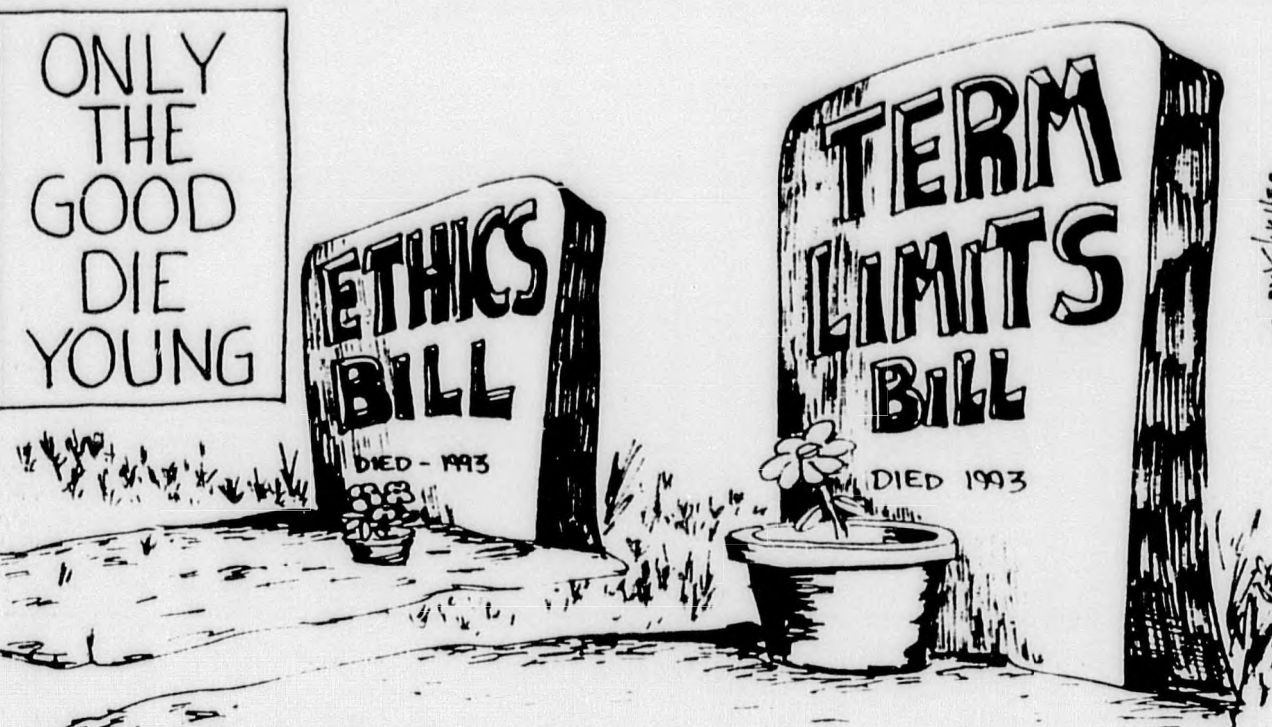
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AARP Meeting every 3rd Tuesday night of the month.

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STATE SENATOR
E.C. "CRUM" FOSHEE
REPORTS FROM THE STATE CAPITAL

I am proud to report that we passed both state budgets and ended the 1993 legislative session well before midnight May 17.

It was a very productive, but stressful session. I want to spend a few minutes and try to explain the situation over legislative redistricting. As I told you earlier, federal law requires the legislature to redraw its geographic boundaries every 10 years to reflect shifts in population. Redrawing those boundaries is commonly referred to as redistricting.

We spent months and months working on a redistricting plan, but in the final outcome it was just too difficult for us to accomplish. We were faced with a situation where we had to look our colleagues in the House and the Senate in the eye, and say "Sorry, I really like you but under federal law I have to redraw your district and you will no longer be able to represent your constituents." It is unfortunate that we once again allowed the state

courts to step in, but that is just what happens sometimes. I don't want you to think we have fallen down on our jobs, but sometimes we are presented as legislators with tasks that we cannot accomplish as a group. I am not completely satisfied with the court plan, but under the circumstances, I think it is the best we can do.

Now, I want to talk to you about the state budgets. I think the very passage of the spending plans - both were approved before dark May 17 - reflects the good working relationship that has been established among the finance department, the governor's office, and the state legislature. As you know, we have repeatedly been criticized for either failing to pass the budgets or passing them as the clock struck midnight. But, that was not the case this year. Everyone spent a lot of time during the ten-day break trying to reach a compromise that would allow us to adequately fund our schools and state government. Gov. Jim Folsom, State Finance Director Jim White, members of

the House and Senate met for countless hours trying to hammer out an agreement. And we got it.

The state operating budget, which funds prisons, state troopers, care for the elderly and the general operation of state government, was passed by 4 p.m. The almost \$3 billion education budget was approved shortly after 5:30 p.m.

I am very proud of our work this session. I have to candidly admit that there were times when I wasn't sure we would make it to the tunnel - much less see any light at the end of the tunnel. But our work just shows what you can do when you join hands and make a commitment to move Alabama forward.

I am looking forward to spending time back home and seeing all of you. You elected me to go to Montgomery and represent your interest - which I have tried to do to the best of my ability - but I am always glad to get back home.

If there is anything I can do for you, please call.

Commissioner Avertt voiced his concern that the commission was being a little hasty in awarding the garbage pickup contract.

He stated that since the commission has voted to go ahead with the landfill construction, other contractors should be allowed to bid on the rural garbage pickup.

Avertt feels that other companies could now offer a competitive bid for the service.

Commissioner Faulk once again voiced his concern on whether or not the county could afford to construct and operate a Subtitle D landfill. With that in mind, he stated that he was for awarding the contract.

"This contract does not have any bearing on whether or not a landfill will be constructed," responded Avertt. "That question has already been made."

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SUIT (Continued from Page One)

involved, but he didn't know to what degree.

Noting that the mayor was also sued individually, Vaughan said he assumed the mayor had secured a personal attorney to represent him against the last section of the suit.

An answer will be filed on behalf of the city by Vaughan this week, "to protect the city and the individuals involved."

The complaint alleges a pattern of efforts to deprive Hanchey of his job, his relationship with the City of Elba and his loss of the expectancy of economic gain from such relationship.

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The 4-laning will be done in steps, city officials were told. There could be as many as ten different projects before the 42 mile section from Enterprise to Andalusia is completed. The length of time necessary will be determined by several things, not the least being the available state and federal funds explained the engineers.

The traffic count between Elba and Enterprise is considerably higher than on Elba westward, according to official highway department traffic studies, Kelley noted. He indicated this heavier traffic count would justify concentrating the initial work on the areas East of Elba or "at least sections which would improve passing options for motorists."

Mayor Haywood expressed concern for the welfare of established Elba merchants. He was assured by Adams that, "Moving through traffic oway, actually helps business, because people actually going to do business can get there easier."

In discussing other related highway work, the engineer explained the work being done on the surface of the 84 bridge over Pea River, the widening of Highway 189 over Two Mile Creek and to Kingston, the routing of Highway 84 over the old Beaver Dam Creek bed and the well received wild flower project, which has been expanded this year, along many state right-of-ways.

Each of the highway department representatives stressed there will be public hearing held in several different locations along the 42 mile route. They promised one of the hearings will definitely be held in Elba.

Elba city officials were urged to call them with any suggestions they feel the location planners should consider.

The Appellant Court ruled that the "chain of custody" was in tact on all the physical evidence presented at the trial.

On two other items listed in the appeal, the court ruled in favor of the state. One was pertaining to Ziegler's statement taken by Bruce DeVane, an investigator with the District Attorney's Office and the other was the admission of evidence found in the defendant's automobile and home.

The court ruled that Ziegler was charged with the murder of a victim's assessment fee of \$10,000 was also ordered paid by Ziegler.

Ziegler has remained free on a \$200,000 appeal bond and his bond was also ordered paid by Ziegler.

He was in prison for a short time after his bond was revoked by the trial judge, but that was later reversed by a higher court.

Although a new trial has been ordered, no date has been set at this time.

William Taylor was the great-grandfather of Mike Taylor. The family can figure the relationship from there. The Beaver Dam Creek railroad bridge over Elba

in those days of the 1920's, and even into the 1930's, the roads were packed with cars. We were very much more than man power, a mule and a slip scrape. I had better explain what a slip scrape was. It was heavy metal, about 30 inches wide and 36" long, back came up 14" with rounded corners that went forward, sloping down the front to about 12 inches. The wooden handles were attached. On each side that extended 30" out of the back. A man took the handles and lifted the back and up so the front end would go into the ground. The mule would pull the scrape until it was full and the man took this to the road and dumped it. This way, the dirt was taken out to form the ditch to run water off and the road was formed. What ever kind of dirt that was there was what was used. Sand, clay, or what was there. There was no mechanized machinery. Farmers used them to build terraces.

I want to tell an amusing story that my father told. It apparently occurred in the 1920's. I've told how roads were. I recall a house that was on the Taylor Mill Road, where the golf course comes up to the road. I believe that was the Sam Taylor house. At any rate, he and his young son had been into town and bought a Ford. He, like many others, had a couple of drinks. He was not far from home when his tires got out of the two sand beds and he and the car ended up in the ditch. The ditch had a sandy bank where it had been dug out. There were pedals on the floor board for forward and reverse. He tried to back it out and got a few feet and it stopped. He then ran forward so he could try again. Each time the front fender hit the bank. His son said, "Pa, I speak tomorrow you are gonna hate this." Sam said, "Son, tell me the truth, I hate it a little bit already."

I'm sure there has been more than one Sam Taylor. I thought it was such a good story that I have remembered it for about 60 years.

Now, back to Beaver Dam Creek. It came through Elba. The large area that is filled in on Simmons, going to the intersection of Opp and Kingston

up law, but after a short discussion the matter was postponed.

The county attorney was instructed to research mandatory garbage pickup laws passed by other counties and make a recommendation to the commission.

After October 9, 1993, it will be mandatory for all residents to deposit in a Subtitle D landfill. This alone, felt some commissioners, will bring about garbage pickup.

The Kingston High School Band Chorus and the Elementary Band will have their annual Spring Concert on Thursday, May 20th beginning at 7:00 p.m., in the Kingston High School Auditorium. Admission is free and everyone is invited.

Arts & Crafts spaces available for celebration at Landmark Park

Something new is being added to Landmark Park's "Old-Fashioned Family Fun Celebration" ... arts and crafts! If you are an artist or crafter, this will be a great opportunity to display your wares to nearly 3,000 visitors who take part in this annual event.

This year the event will take place on Saturday, July 3 at Landmark Park's 60 acre facility near Dothan. The popular community event will include music, entertainment, clogging, pioneer games, wagon rides, and more.

All booth spaces are 10' x 12' and are available for \$20.00 each. Exhibitors must provide their own tables, chairs, canopy, etc.

All sales items must be original, hand-made works of the artist or crafter. Merchandise purchased for resale will not be allowed.

To request an application and for more information contact the Park at 205-794-3452 or write: Landmark Park, P.O. Box 3662, Dothan, AL 36302. Deadline for reserving booth space is June 25.

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Remembering With Jake

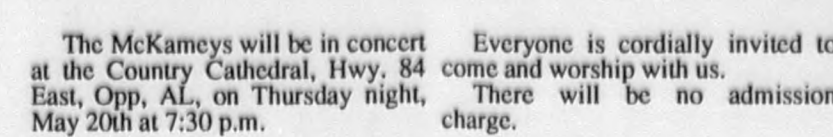
By Jake Bonneau

"Water, water everywhere, not a drop to drink," certainly does not apply to Elba. We have three different streams of water coming into Elba. Some of our memories of fishing, boating, even swimming evoke pleasant times on our creeks and rivers. But there are times we would like to forget. Those horrendous floods that we would love to black out.

The headwaters of the Pea River is near Union Springs in Bullock County. The headwaters of White Water Creek is north of U.S. #231, between Troy and Brundidge, in Pike County. Beaver Dam Creek headwaters in northwest Coffee County about 3 miles northwest of the Sharpless Christmas Tree and real rice peach orchard farms. This was Marvin Sharpless' place. His son Ralph married Patsy Panchuck. John Wayne Sharpless married Sara Dyess. John Wayne lived in a double pin log house until he was 13 years old and they moved to this place.

Water streams were the first available source of power for operating almost all types of equipment. Grist mills were essential to living in the early years. A few miles made it a difference in the days of either walking or riding a mule and wagon. People grew corn more for their own use than for sale. They took it to the grist mill to be ground into corn meal or even into grits. Corn bread was used all the time. Many times it was used three times a day. It was good, it was inexpensive, and it was available. Most millers would grind the corn between two great stones that had grooves cut into them that ground the corn into any shape when a fine or course the person desired. A good miller knew how to regulate the pressure to do this. The mill was the largest stream coming into Elba was Pea River, next White Water, and then Beaver Dam. The nearest mill that I ever heard of, in the old water ground days, was Taylor's Mill on Beaver Dam. You must remember those days, the location of the Elba Country Club was out in the country. William Taylor started a dam and mill on Beaver Dam when he went into the Confederate Army during the War Between the States. It was not completed until he returned. Probably in late 1865. His mill was just back of the old Elba Elba Country Club was out in the country. William Taylor started a dam and mill on Beaver Dam when he went into the Confederate Army during the War Between the States. It was not completed until he returned. Probably in late 1865. His mill was just back of the old Elba Elba Country Club was out in the country. William Taylor started a dam and mill on Beaver Dam when he went into the Confederate Army during the War Between the States. It was not completed until he returned. Probably in late 1865. His mill was just back of the old Elba Elba Country Club was out in the country. 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Philippians 4:6-6

Thinking of you, praying for you. Mr. Cecil Adkins, Mrs. Pearl Tillis, Mrs. Lillie Rhwals, Tiffney Kelley, Mrs. Inez Middleton, Mr. W. H. Goldwell, Mrs. Ruth Delcher.

Placed First

On Friday, May 14, 1993 Mrs. Catherine Waters, Elba, age 75 competed with other senior citizens at the 5th Annual Coffee County Senior Games held at Enterprise State Junior College, Enterprise, AL. She

Julia M. Edwards of Opp, announces the birth of her son, Cantu DeeShay Edwards on January 1993. He weighed 7 lbs., 15 1/2 and was 21 1/2 inches long.

When relating her feelings about her energetic day, Catherine stated, "Michael Jordan isn't the only one who can slam dunk."

Honored
Mrs. Annie J. Flowers, of the Shiloh Community of Elba, was honored with a Mother's Day/Birthday dinner in the home of May and Mr.

Those enjoying this happy occasion with Mrs. Flowers were her in-laws, her children: Pearl, Harvey, Calvin Lee, Harold, and Shantel. Timiney Reane Kelly, the daughter of Maria Kelley, Elba, celebrated her 3rd birthday party in the home of Grover and Eria Belcher, Elba, great grandparents, on May 9, 1995. The party was hosted by

Grandchildren: Jai, Patrice, Calvin Lee, Jr., Antwain, Drexel, D'Anthony, Adrain, Christopher, Jason, and Justin.

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 Even. Worship 6:00 p.m.

:00 a.m.	Prayer Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Even. Service	6:00 p.m.
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**NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF
GOD - Jack Wilkes**
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
Tony Dye
 Early Worship 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

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Mom. Worship	11:00 a.m.	Even. Service	5:30 p.m.
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Wed. Even. Serv.	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal . . . Wed.	7:30 p.m.

12:00 p.m.	NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH	WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH
1:00 p.m.	Toenmy Brill	Danny Maddox
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10:00 a.m.	Even. Worship	7:00 p.m.	Even. Service	6:00 p.m.
1:00 a.m.	Wed. Prayer Serv.	7:00 p.m.	Wed. Prayer Meet.	7:00 p.m.
3:30 p.m.				

CH	NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD	WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Kenneth Hagler
		Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

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			Fri. Home Prayer	7:00 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH		WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST	
11 a.m.	A.R. Williams		Seaborn Wooten
30 p.m.	Sunday School	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
30 p.m.	Morn. Worship	11:30 a.m.	Morn. Worship
30 p.m.	2nd & 4th Sundays		Training Union
			5:00 p.m.

ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH W.R. Fuller Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Service 6:00 p.m.	Even Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet 7:00 p.m.
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ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Mark Griffin

Unconf. Training.....	5:00 p.m.	Sunday School.....	9:45 a.m.
Even. Serv.....	6:00 p.m.	Morning Serv.....	11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting....	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Prse.....	4:00 p.m.
		Church Training.....	5:00 p.m.
		Even. Service.....	6:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.	Sunday School	10:00 a.m.	
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	Training Union	6:00 p.m.	
	Even. Service	7:00 p.m.	
7:00 a.m.	Wed. Prayer Meet.	7:00 p.m.	

ZOAR COMMUNITY CHURCH	
Richard and Pat Jones	
Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship	11:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.	Even. Service	6:00 p.m.
10:00 p.m.	Thursday Serv.	7:00 p.m.
10:00 p.m.	VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH	
	Dennis Corwell	
	Sunday School	9:45 a.m.

8:00 a.m.	Morn. Worship	11:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.	Choir Practice	4:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m.	Training Union	5:00 p.m.

& The Elba Clipper

Views From THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The children's choir at the Elba United Methodist Church closed out their season with a combined service Sunday morning and that meant that Melissa and Melanie both got a chance to sing. Melissa was excited about getting to put on the choir robes and sit in the loft, while Melanie was just excited about getting to get up in front of everyone. They both sang well, as did all the children, and Kathy and I were mighty proud parents after the service!

LADY TIGERS END SEASON AT STATE TOURNAMENT

The Elba Lady Tigers made it all the way to the State Softball Tournament last weekend in Montgomery, and even though the Lady Tigers dropped two straight at the state tournament, the ladies had quite a year and left their names in the record books.

Elba received its girls softball program three years ago after a long absence and has now recorded three straight winning seasons, with the 93 Lady Tigers setting the record for wins with 22, total games played at 37, as well as being the first team to win the sectional tournament and a sub-state final by capturing the Lady Tigers their first ever trip to the state tournament. The 1993 season may have ended on a down note; however, it was a sensational season for girls softball at Elba High and the players and coaches are to be commended for their outstanding performance!

SOFTBALL SUCCESS JUST ANOTHER SUCCESS STORY

When the Elba Lady Tigers were eliminated from the state softball tournament last weekend it marked the end of the athletic year for the student-athletes at Elba High. But what a year it was!

The Elba Tigers won their second state championship in four years in football, made it to the sub-state finals in basketball before being ousted in overtime by two points by eventual state champ Francis Marion, made it to the semifinals in baseball before being stopped by eventual state champ UMS-Wright, and then made it to state in girls softball.

Yep, it was quite a year for athletics at Elba High!!!!

SPRING FOOTBALL DRILLS DRAGGING AT ELBA

Spring football drills at Elba High have been under way for almost two weeks and it looks like the experiment to back the drills up until after the end of the baseball season was a drastic failure. The baseball team made it to the semi-finals, which delayed practices for one week, the prom cut into another week, and countless other activities have made the spring drills simply a practice session.

Last week the number of players out for football failed to even reach 30, and by some counts the number was closer to 25. I know that it's hard to get a lot of players out in this time of year, but the failure to get a good spring training may show when the Tigers hit the field next fall. Only time will tell...

HIGHLIGHTS ARE PLENTY IN YOUTH ACTION

The youth recreation programs were at full-speed again last week and there were plenty of highlights in just about every league. Here are a few...

DIXIE MINOR - The Indians showed up with a vengeance and scalped the undefeated Expos to claim their first win of the season. The Indians had come close a couple of times, but made the Expos pay last week and now are wide awake and ready.

DIXIE YOUTH - The surprise team of the season has been the Pirates, which have rolled along unbeaten. However, last week the big news came from the Braves, which nearly upset the Cardinals in a 4-3 loss, then obliterated the Yankees for their first win. Artavis Stoudemire slugged home runs in both wins and it looks like the Braves may be on the warpath.

BABE RUTH - The Dodgers won, as usual, but the big hits of the week came off the bat of Reds standout Che Vaughan, who hit grand-slam home runs in consecutive games. The eight hits helped the Reds get in the win column in a big way, and pumped a little life in the league.

Next week we'll take a look at the girls softball leagues and see what's happening.

IN CLOSING...

I hit the big 4-0 back on May 4 and one week later to the day found myself in the emergency room at Elba General with an IV in my arm after a bout with an undetermined illness. I did get out after a couple of hours and feel pretty good now, but I'll admit that I took it kind of easy for a couple of days and am already wondering what will happen when I turn 41?

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Sports

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Elba Lady Tigers stumble at state

The Elba Lady Tigers made an early exit from the Alabama State High School Girls Softball Tournament last weekend in Montgomery as they dropped two straight games to settle for a tie for fifth in Class 3A.

"We simply didn't play well this weekend," stated Elba's Coach Susan Barnes. "You have to hit to win this game and this weekend we couldn't hit and made too many errors. We

State crowns prep baseball champions

The Alabama High School Athletic Association completed its baseball championships last weekend and crowned state champions in all six classes.

The Jeff Davis Volunteers dropped the series opener to defending champ Vestavia Hills 4-3, but rebounded with two straight 4-3 wins to take the 6A title and finish the season with a 32-3 record.

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The Lady Tigers appeared ready and the girls should be proud of what they accomplished. Following are highlights of both state tournament games:

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"It was just a bad weekend," added Barnes, who guided the Lady Tigers to a 22-15 record. "We only started three seniors this season, so we are still very young and we know we've got some good young girls coming up. I'm still very proud of this team and the things they've accomplished. This team made school history for number of wins, for winning

the section tournament and then making it to state by winning the sub-state finals. It was a great year and the girls should be proud of what they accomplished."

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Three teams unbeaten in men's softball play

The Men's Softball League had another busy week of action last week with three teams remaining undefeated for the young season.

Performance Plastics leads the pack with a 4-0 record, followed by Southern Merchants 3-0, Gene's Auto Sales 3-0, Kelley Foods 2-1, Kelly's Barbecue 2-2, Work Release

0-3, Basin Baptist 0-4 and High Rollers 0-4.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

GENE'S AUTO SALES 16 HIGH ROLLERS 5
Gene's Auto Sales exploded late to bury the High Rollers 16-5.

Che Vaughan hits two grand-slams to highlight busy week in Babe Ruth

The Elba Babe Ruth Baseball League continued its season last week with the Dodgers remaining, the team to catch.

The Dodgers lead the league with a 5-0 record, followed by the A's 4-1, 2, Reds 2-2, White Sox 2-3, Phillies 2-3 and Astros 0-5.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

ASTROS 18 ELBA 1
The A's jumped ahead in the opening inning and never looked back to outscore the Astros 18-1.

The A's scored 11 runs in the first inning to take the lead, and coasted in with the win.

Davis got 3 hits to lead the A's, while Josh Mack and Forrest Hancock both added 2. Jeremiah Moore got 2 hits for the Astros.

REDS 18 WHITE SOX 8
The Reds got in the win column in a big way as they pounded the White Sox 18-8.

The Reds scored seven runs in the opening inning to take the lead and pulled away for the win.

Che Vaughan got 3 hits, including a grand-slam home-run, to spark the Reds, while Josh Dawkins, Jason Smith and Dunder Peterson all added 2. Ozell Daniels got 2 hits for the Sox.

DODGERS 17 PHILLIES 2
The Dodgers scored early and often to dump the Phillies 17-2.

The Dodgers scored six runs in the first inning to grab a quick lead and rolled to the easy win.

Todd Grantham, Eddie Cowen and Wayne Duncan all got 2 hits for the Dodgers, while Steve Hodge singled and scored a run for the Phillies.

DODGERS 11 ASTROS 1
The Dodgers made it look easy with an 11-1 win over the Astros.

The Dodgers led only 4-0 after two innings, but broke loose late to claim the big win.

Both got 2 hits for the Dodgers, while Trey Medley scored the lone Astros run.

PERFORMANCE PLAS. 10 KELLEY FOODS 6
Performance Plastics led all the way to defeat Kelley Foods 10-6.

Plastics jumped out to a quick 4-0 lead and held on for the win.

Glenn Johnson, Jason Johnson, Ted Williamson and Danny Strickland all got 3 hits for Performance Plastics, while Shane Spurlin got 3 hits for Kelley.

SOUTHERN MERCH. 17 BASIN BAPTIST 6
The Southern Merchants scored early and often to down Basin Baptist 17-6.

The Merchants jumped out to a 7-0 lead in the opening inning and rolled to the big win.

Brent S., Tony S. and Scott L. all got 3 hits for the Merchants, while Max Farris, Mike and Scotty all got 2 hits for Basin.

PERFORMANCE PLAS. 7 WORK RELEASE 0
Performance Plastics was awarded a 7-0 win when Work Release failed to field a team.

BLASTERS 9 LADYBUGS 8
The Blastars rallied late to edge the Ladybugs 9-8.

The Ladybugs jumped ahead 5-0 in the top of the first, but the Blastars rallied and claimed the win.

Teshia Tyson, Vaughan Boyd, Tasha, Beverie Benbow and Bertha all got 3 hits for the Blastars, while Teshia Daniels and Kendra Vaughan added 2 apiece. Amber Frederick and Paige Hudson both got 3 hits for the Dolls, while Katie Vaughan, Lindsey Jarod, Reese Grantman, Raccan McCollough and Kim Farris all added 2.

LADYBUGS 16 DOLLS 13
The Ladybugs broke loose late to outscore the Dolls 16-13.

The Ladybugs trailed 7-0 after one inning, but rallied to score 7 runs in the fourth to pull out the win.

Jessica Hall and Cassidy Sasser both got 3 hits for the Ladybugs, while Christie Smith, Tasha Brunson, Emily Benbow and Ayida Cumberland all added 2. Lindsey Jarod and Melissa Grantham both got 3 hits for the Dolls.

DOLLS 11
The Blastars pulled ahead early and held on to nip the Dolls 11-1.

The Blastars jumped out to an early 7-0 lead, but saw the Dolls pull within 7-6 before staging a late rally for the win.

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BLASTERS 16 YANKEES 8
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Jerry Dubose, Artavis Stoudemire and Tim Finger both got 3 hits for the Blastars, while Jep Dubose and Hunter Hargrove added 2 apiece. Lee Scarborough got 2 hits for the Yankees.

CARDINALS 8 ROYALS 4
The Cardinals pulled ahead early and never looked back to dump the Royals 8-4.

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Joshua Hodge collected 3 hits, including a home-run, to lead the Cardinals, while Brad Holley added 2 hits. Paul McMonagle got 2 hits for the Royals.

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COMBATING DRUG ABUSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

Endorsed by M.J. (Jack) Parker, Chief of Police,
Elba Police Department

The children and young people of our community today are being showered with all sorts of information pertaining to drugs and their abuse. Much of the information is accurate and true, and is being delivered by people who are genuinely concerned about drug use and the problems it can create in the lives of those involved. Unfortunately, these same children and young people are receiving much mis-information concerning the use or sale of drugs, who deliver an exciting and glorified version of what has become a nationwide epidemic.

Just to list some of the drugs of abuse:

MARIJUANA:

At one point in time, marijuana was classified as both a stimulant and a depressant. In fact, marijuana is a hallucinogen. Users describe a feeling of euphoria or well being. Some who use the drug say they become very drowsy after smoking a "joint" (marijuana cigarette). The hallucinogenic effect cause distortion in time and place. Some users have said they could "feel" or "see" music. Most marijuana users stated the drug "slows things down". Marijuana is derived from the plant cannabis sativa and there are more than 400 different chemicals in marijuana smoke. Of those 400 chemicals, there are sixty (60) different substances that are found only in marijuana smoke called cannabinoids. The principal substance in marijuana that is responsible for getting the user "high" is Delta 9 tetrahydrocannabinol or as its more commonly known "THC". There have been several thousand studies conducted on marijuana in the last fifteen (15) to twenty (20) years and not one has had anything positive to say about the drug.

Scientists tell us it will be a couple of years before we can fully start to measure the effects the drug has had on people who regularly used it in the 60's and 70's, as much as five (5) to twenty (20) times more powerful. Marijuana users place themselves in danger of developing lung cancer, memory loss, chromosome damage, hormonal changes and other related medical problems. Another very important factor, marijuana is **ILLEGAL!!!** Possession may lead to arrest, a criminal record and jail.

COCAINE:

Cocaine is the most potent stimulant of natural origin, known to man. Cocaine is extracted from the leaves of the coca plant, Ectroxylon Coca, which has been cultivated in the Andean highlands of South America since prehistoric times. People in the region chew the leaves for refreshment and relief of fatigue.

Pure cocaine was first isolated in 1889 and was used as topical anesthetic in eye surgery. Cocaine was also used in surgery of the nose and throat. Many of cocaine's therapeutic uses are now obsolete with the advent of safer drugs as local anesthetics.

Cocaine is distributed as a white crystalline powder and is often diluted or "cut" with other substances like lactose (milk sugar), Manniditol (a laxative), and local anesthetics like lidocaine and procaine. Powdered cocaine (Cocaine Hydrochloride) is usually snorted or inhaled into the nose. Cocaine in this form is very expensive. Cost can vary depending what part of the country you are in and the availability of the drug.

Crack Cocaine, the most dangerous form of the drug, has become very popular of late. Crack is the smokable form of the drug, it's cheaper per dose and is more potent than the powder. When smoked, Crack reaches the brain in three (3) to eight (8) seconds and can be as much as 90% pure, and is extremely addictive. Users have said that crack produces a tremendous "high" that is followed by an equally intense "low" or depres-

sion. As one user put it, "you support your habit by dealing, stealing or becoming prostitutes." Scientists reported that crack works directly on the brain, specifically the pleasure sensors, which is the reason it is the most dangerous drug known to man at the present time.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:

Alcohol acts as a depressant on the central nervous system. It slows reaction time and makes it difficult for the user to think clearly at times. Long term abuse of alcohol wreaks havoc on the user, causing liver disease, memory loss, and other alcohol related diseases. Many youngsters think the only reason the drinking age is twenty-one (21) is to keep them from having "fun". In fact, the real reason is, youngsters' bodies are constantly going through changes as they continue to grow and alcohol can affect that growing process.

The problem we are presently facing is not the use of alcohol but the MISUSE of alcohol! Recent studies state more than 90% of all high school seniors have tried alcohol. Between 10% and 15% of all Junior High and High School students age 12 to 18 are heavy, weekly drinkers. The number of Americans with alcohol related illnesses is increasing and it is estimated by the mid 1990's that alcoholism will become America's number one killer.

Presently more than 46,000 people are killed annually in alcohol related traffic accidents. These alcohol related traffic accidents are also the number one killer of our young people between the ages of 15 and 24. It is important to remember that a person intoxicated will remain in the state until his body can detoxify itself. Cold showers and black coffee will not help you sober up more quickly, only time will help your body recover from the effects of alcohol.

Other drugs of abuse include PCP (Phencyclidine) or angel dust. This is a powerful mind altering drug that is classified as hallucinogen. PCP is manufactured in illegal laboratories. The most popular method of use is to sprinkle PCP on a regular tobacco cigarette or a marijuana "joint" for smoking. If the PCP is in liquid form, the cigarette would be dipped in the liquid then smoked.

Another very popular drug of the 60's is making a comeback, LSD or "ACID" is an extremely powerful and dangerous hallucinogenic drug. LSD is so potent that one ounce is enough for 300,000 doses. LSD is often placed on sugar cubes, blotter paper or toothpicks and consumed by mouth.

Heroin, a narcotic drug, is one of the most addictive substances presently known to man. Heroin is derived from Opium and is ingested several ways. The most popular method of use is by injection into a vein with a hypodermic needle. In years past, the drug was mostly limited to major metropolitan areas but recently smaller cities have experience some exposure to the drug and its related problems. Some experts believe that if present trends continue, this powerful habit-forming narcotic will eventually make its way into rural America.

I know what you are thinking. What can I do? How are we going to eventually get a grip on the drug problem? You can start by becoming involved and reporting suspicious activity. We welcome any information or drug dealings, possession of drugs and drug use.

It is also very important for you to be informed. Learn all you can about drugs and the problems associated with drug abuse. Parents, you must be willing to talk to your children about their problems. Be a good listener, talk with your children, not at them.

Now that we know the facts, we must all pull together, as a community, to educate our youth in how to avoid becoming caught up in the nightmare and to support the various drug abuse and resistance programs in our communities.

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